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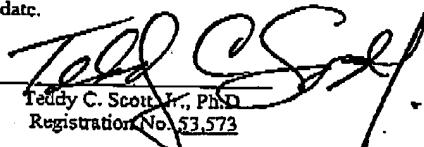
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Filing Date: January 31, 2000
Inventor: Lester F. Lau
Group Art Unit: 1642
Examiner Name: Gary B. Nickol
Title: EXTRACELLULAR MATRIX
SIGNALING MOLECULES

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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

In response to the Office Action mailed August 12, 2003 (the "Office Action"), and in accordance with the Rule of Practice, please enter the following amendments and consider the remarks below. Submitted herewith is a Petition for a three-month Extension of Time together with the requisite fee of \$475, which extends the deadline for filing the reply from November 12, 2003 to February 12, 2004. No other fees are believed to be due, however, should any fees be deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this document, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct any such fees from Deposit Account No. 08-3038.

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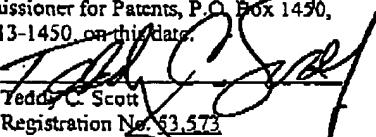
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment/reply in the above-identified application.

1. A paper requesting correction/substitution of drawings is attached.
2. Petition for Extension of Time Within the Third Month with fee \$475 charged to Deposit Account No. 08-3038.
3. **Fee for Claims**
 No additional fee is required.

The fee for additional claims in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.16(b)-(d) has been calculated as shown below:

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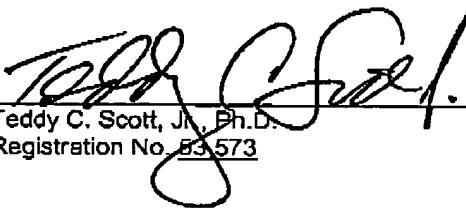
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5. (X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required in this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17 during its entire pendency, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 08-3038. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 08-3038. This sheet is filed in duplicate.

Respectfully Submitted,

February 12, 2004
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On behalf of Teddy Scott, I am forwarding herewith a courtesy copy of the Amendment and Reply Under 37 CFR 1.111 as filed today with the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office.

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